

Amendments to Senate Bill No. 448
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Requested by Senator David Wanzonried

For the Senate Natural Resources and Energy Committee

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1. Title, page 1, line 5.

Following: "TO"

Insert: "NOTIFY THE OFFICE OF CONSUMER COUNSEL OF PERMIT APPLICATIONS FOR NEW ELECTRICAL GENERATION FACILITIES AND FACILITIES AND UPGRADES PERMITTED UNDER THE MONTANA MAJOR FACILITY SITING ACT; REQUIRING THE OFFICE OF THE CONSUMER COUNSEL TO"

2. Title, page 1, line 7 through line 9.

Strike: "IF" on line 7 through the first "ANALYSIS;" on line 9

3. Page 1, line 14.

Strike: "The"

Insert: "Within 10 days of receiving an application pursuant to subsection (1)(a) or (1)(b), the"

4. Page 1, line 15 and 16.

Following: "shall"

Strike: remainder of line 15 through "when" on line 16

Insert: "notify the office of the consumer counsel that it is"

5. Page 1, line 17.

Strike: "if it is"

6. Page 1, line 21 through line 23.

Strike: "If" on line 21 through "department" on line 23

Insert: "The office of consumer counsel"

7. Page 1, line 23.

Strike: "to a utility and a utility's"

Insert: "of the project on electricity"

8. Page 1, line 24.

Following: "customers"

Insert: "in Montana"

9. Page 1.

Following: line 24

Insert: "(3)(a) Except as provided in subsection (3)(b), the analysis must be completed within 30 days of receipt of the

notice from the department.

(b) The department shall extend the 30-day deadline if compliance with the deadline is not necessary to comply with the requirements of subsection (4)."

Renumber: subsequent subsections

10. Page 1, line 25.

Following: "must be"

Insert: "provided to the department and"

11. Page 1.

Strike: line 27 through line 28 in their entirety

Insert: "(5) (a) Within 5 days of the close of the public comment period for an application referred to in subsection (1) (a) or (1) (b), the department shall forward public comments related to the analysis to the consumer counsel.

(b) The consumer counsel shall respond to the comments and return the responses to the department within 30 days, and the responses must be included in the final environmental reviews."

12. Page 1, line 30 through page 2, line 3.

Strike: section 2 in its entirety

Insert: "NEW SECTION. **Section 2. Exemptions.** Projects proposed by utilities, as defined in 69-8-103, are exempt from the analysis required by [section 1]."

13. Page 8, line 8.

Strike: the first "75"

Insert: "69, chapter 2"

Strike: the second "75"

Insert: "69, chapter 2,"

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